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Applicant: Hahn-Carlson      Examiner: Backer, F.  
Serial No.: 09/527,717      Group Art Unit: 3621  
Filed: March 17, 2000      Docket No.: USBA.004PA  
Title: SHIPMENT TRANSACTION SYSTEM AND AN ARRANGEMENT  
THEREOF

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on November 18, 2002.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**GROUP 3600**

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the  
enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a final  
Office Action or before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance of the above-identified application.

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listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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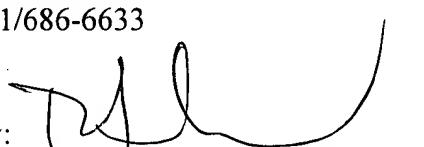
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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